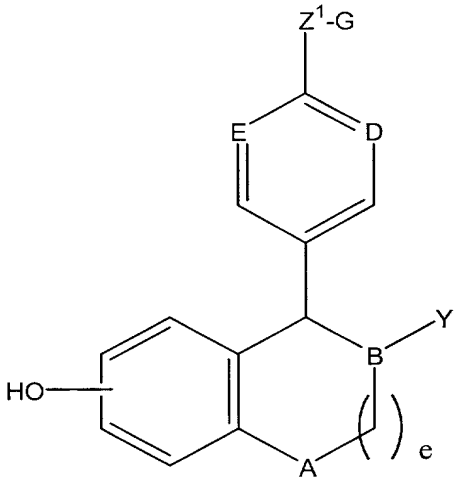
Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A method of treating cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma, the method comprising the step of administering to a patient having cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma a therapeutically effective amount of an estrogen agonist / antagonist that is a compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein:

A is selected from CH_2 and NR;

B, D and E are independently selected from CH and N;

Y is

(a) phenyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(b) naphthyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(c) C_3-C_8 cycloalkyl, optionally substituted with 1-2 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(d) C_3-C_8 cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted with 1-2 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(e) a five membered heterocycle containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, -NR^2- and -$S(O)_n$-, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(f) a six membered heterocycle containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, -NR^2- and -$S(O)_n$- optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4; or

(g) a bicyclic ring system consisting of a five or six membered heterocyclic ring fused to a phenyl ring, said heterocyclic ring containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, -NR^2- and -$S(O)_n$-, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

Z^1 is

(a) -$(CH_2)_p$ $W(CH_2)_q$-;

(b) -$O(CH_2)_p$ CR^5R^6-;

(c) -$O(CH_2)_pW(CH_2)_q$-;

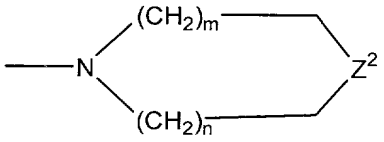
(d) -$OCHR^2CHR^3$-; or

(e) -$SCHR^2CHR^3$-;

G is

(a) -NR^7R^8;

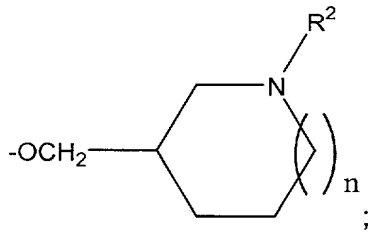
(b)



wherein n is 0, 1 or 2; m is 1, 2 or 3; Z^2 is -NH-, -O-, -S-, or -CH_2-; optionally fused on adjacent carbon atoms with one or two phenyl rings and, optionally independently substituted on carbon with one to three substituents and, optionally, independently on nitrogen with a chemically suitable substituent selected from R^4; or

(c) a bicyclic amine containing five to twelve carbon atoms, either bridged or fused and optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4; or

Z^1 and G in combination may be



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W is

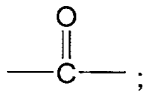
(a) $-CH_2-$;

(b) -CH=CH-;

(c) -O-;

(d) $-NR^2-$;

(e) $-S(O)_n-$;

(f)  ;

(g) $-CR^2(OH)-$;

(h) $-CONR^2-$;

(i) $-NR^2CO-$;

(j)  ; or

(k) $-C\equiv C-$;

R is hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R^2 and R^3 are independently

(a) hydrogen; or

(b) C_1-C_4 alkyl;

R^4 is

(a) hydrogen;

(b) halogen;

(c) C_1-C_6 alkyl;

(d) C_1-C_4 alkoxy;

(e) C_1-C_4 acyloxy;

(f) C_1-C_4 alkylthio;

(g) C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl;

(h) C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl;

(i) hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl;

(j) aryl (C_1-C_4)alkyl;

(k) -CO_2H;

(l) -CN;

(m) -CONHOR;

(n) -SO_2NHR;

(o) -NH_2;

(p) C_1-C_4 alkylamino;

(q) C_1-C_4 dialkylamino;

(r) -$NHSO_2$R;

(s) -NO_2;

(t) -aryl; or

(u) -OH;

R^5 and R^6 are independently C_1-C_8 alkyl or together form a C_3-C_{10} carbocyclic ring;

R^7 and R^8 are independently

(a) phenyl;

(b) a C_3-C_{10} carbocyclic ring, saturated or unsaturated;

(c) a C_3-C_{10} heterocyclic ring containing up to two heteroatoms, selected from -O-, -N- and -S-;

(d) H;

(e) C_1-C_6 alkyl; or

(f) form a 3 to 8 membered nitrogen containing ring with R^5 or R^6;

R^7 and R^8 in either linear or ring form may optionally be substituted with up to three substituents independently selected from C_1-C_6 alkyl, halogen, alkoxy, hydroxy and carboxy;

a ring formed by R^7 and R^8 may be optionally fused to a phenyl ring;

e is 0, 1 or 2;

m is 1, 2 or 3;

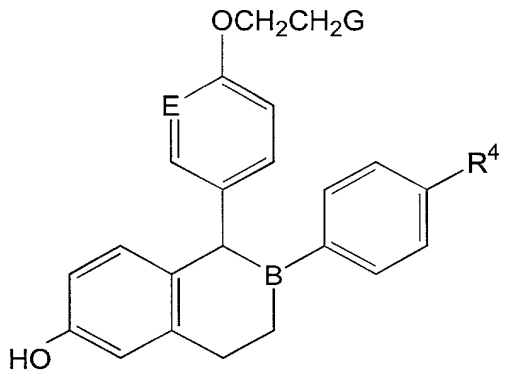
n is 0, 1 or 2;

p is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

q is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is a compound of formula (IA)



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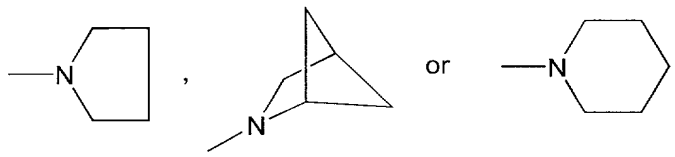
wherein G is 

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R^4 is H, OH, F, or Cl; and B and E are independently selected from CH and N or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or a prodrug thereof.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is (-)-cis-6-phenyl-5-[4-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalene-2-ol or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or a prodrug thereof.

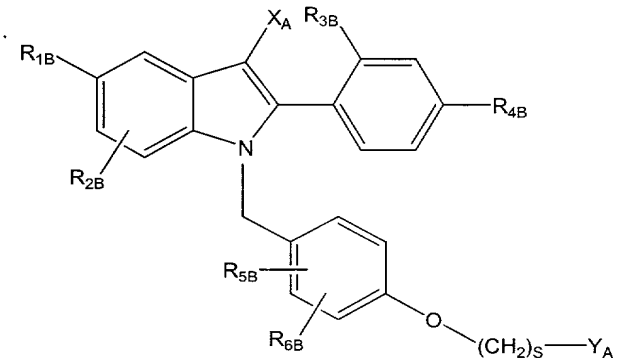
4. The method of claim 1 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is (-)-cis-6-phenyl-5-[4-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalene-2-ol, D-tartrate salt.

5. A method of treating cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma, the method comprising the step of administering to a patient having cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid

tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma a therapeutically effective amount of an estrogen agonist / antagonist compound selected from:

A) 4-hydroxy tamoxifen, droloxifene, toremifene, centchroman, idoxifene, raloxifene, 6-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-5-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-benzyl]-naphthalen-2-ol, {4-[2-(2-aza-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-yl)-ethoxy]-phenyl}-[6-hydroxy-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl]-methanone, EM-652, EM-800, GW 5638, GW 7604, or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or prodrug thereof;

B) a compound of formula V or VI:



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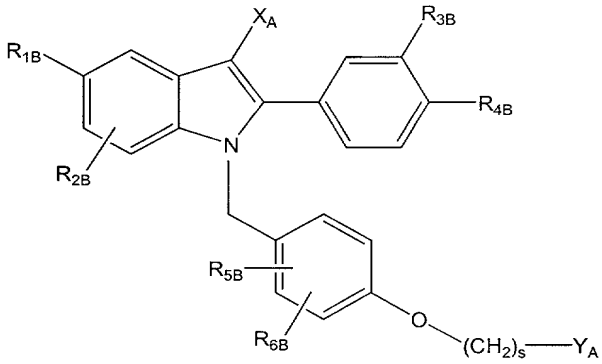


(VI)

wherein:

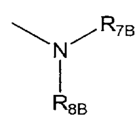
R_{1B} is selected from H, OH, -O-C(O)-C_1-C_{12} alkyl (straight chain or branched), -O-C_1-C_{12} alkyl (straight chain or branched or cyclic), or halogens or C_1-C_4 halogenated ethers;

R_{2B}, R_{3B}, R_{4B}, R_{5B}, and R_{6B} are independently selected from H, OH, -O-C(O)-C_1-C_{12} (straight chain or branched), -O-C_1-C_{12} (straight chain or branched or cyclic), halogens, or C_1-C_4 halogenated ethers, cyano, C_1-C_6 alkyl (straight chain or branched), or trifluoromethyl;

X_A is selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, cyano, nitro, trifluoromethyl, and halogen;

s is 2 or 3;

Y_A is the moiety:



wherein:

a) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are independently selected from the group of H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, or phenyl optionally substituted by CN, C_1-C_6 alkyl (straight chain or branched), C_1-C_6 alkoxy (straight chain or branched), halogen, -OH, -CF_3, or -OCF_3; or

b) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a five-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, -CO_2H, -CN, -CONHR_{1B}, -NH_2, -NH(C_1-C_4 alkyl), -N(C_1-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, -NHSO_2R_{1B}, -NHCOR_{1B}, -NO_2, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

c) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a six-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy,

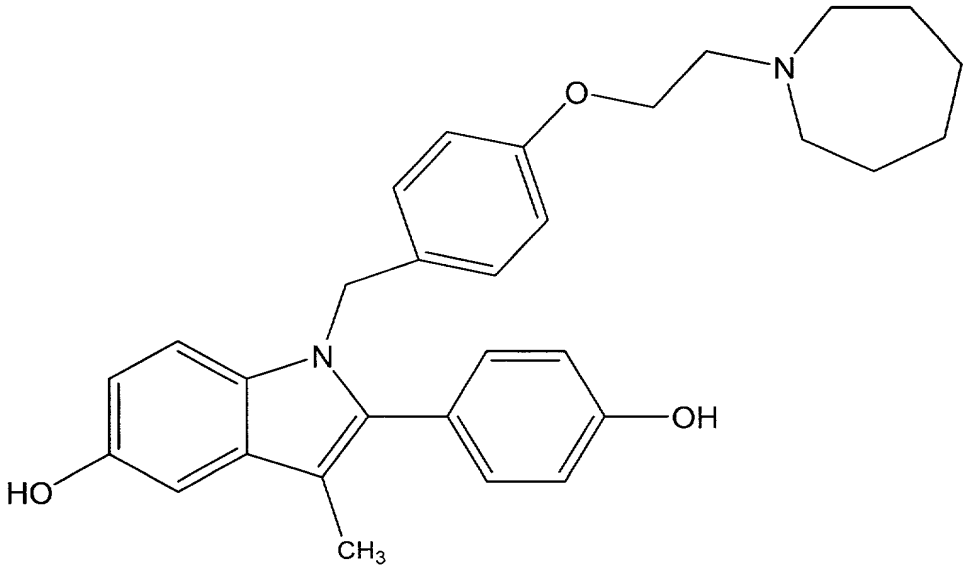
C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

d) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a seven-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

e) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form an eight-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

f) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a saturated bicyclic heterocycle containing from 6-12 carbon atoms either bridged or fused and containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1 -C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4) alkyl; or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof;

C) the compound of formula Va:



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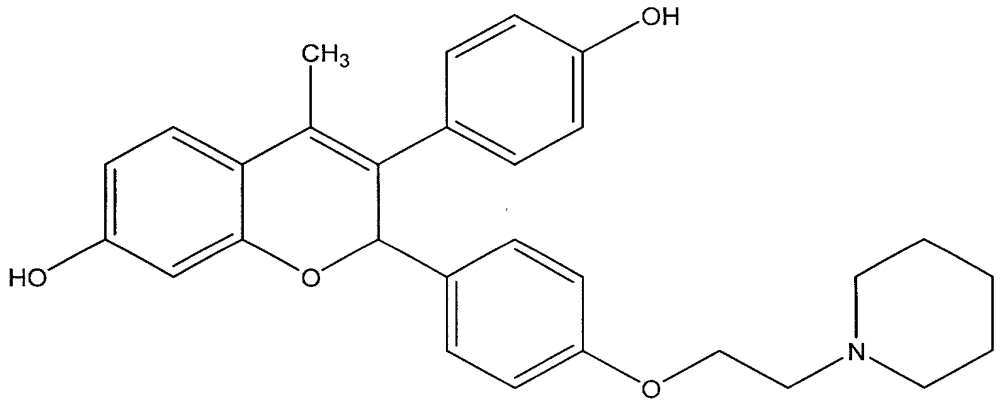
or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof; or

D) the compound of formula III (EM-652) or formula IV (EM-800) below:



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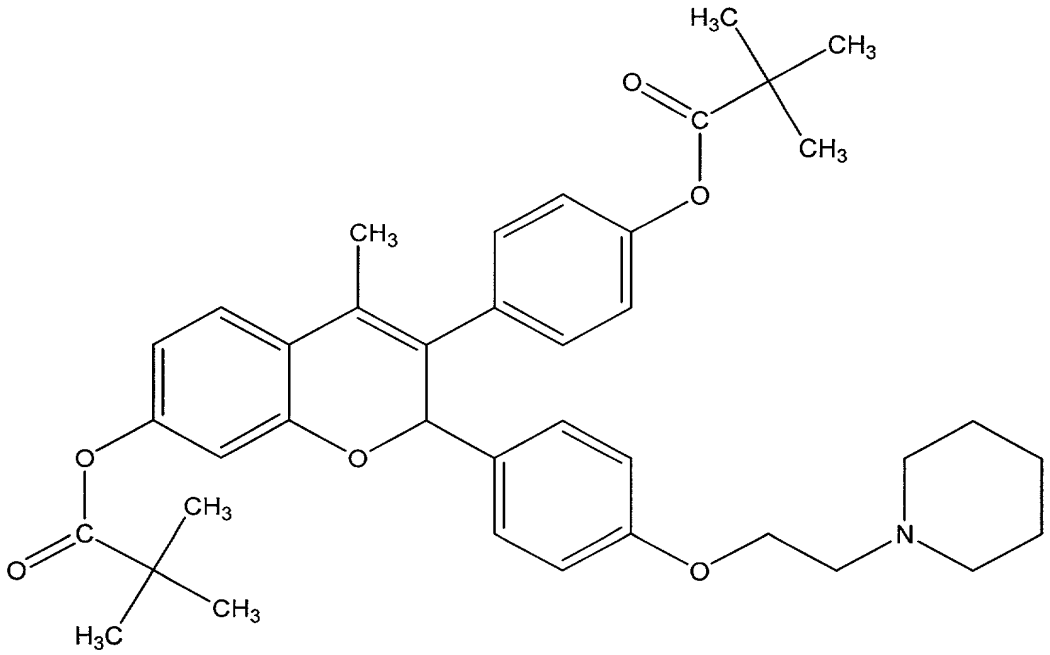

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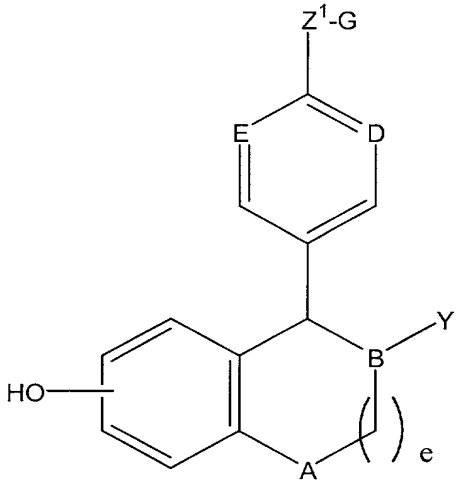
or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof.

6. A kit for use by a consumer to treat cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma, the kit comprising:

(a) a pharmaceutical composition comprising an estrogen agonist / antagonist that is compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein:

A is selected from CH_2 and NR;

B, D and E are independently selected from CH and N;

Y is

(a) phenyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(b) naphthyl, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(c) C_3-C_8 cycloalkyl, optionally substituted with 1-2 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(d) C_3-C_8 cycloalkenyl, optionally substituted with 1-2 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(e) a five membered heterocycle containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, $-NR^2-$ and $-S(O)_n-$, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

(f) a six membered heterocycle containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, $-NR^2-$ and $-S(O)_n-$ optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4; or

(g) a bicyclic ring system consisting of a five or six membered heterocyclic ring fused to a phenyl ring, said heterocyclic ring containing up to two heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of -O-, $-NR^2-$ and $-S(O)_n-$, optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4;

Z^1 is

(a) $-(CH_2)_p\, W(CH_2)_q-$;

(b) $-O(CH_2)_p\, CR^5R^6-$;

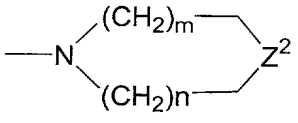
(c) $-O(CH_2)_pW(CH_2)_q-$;

(d) $-OCHR^2CHR^3-$; or

(e) $-SCHR^2CHR^3-$;

G is

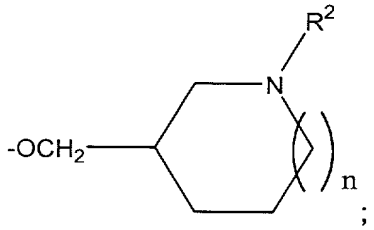
(a) $-NR^7R^8$;

(b) 

wherein n is 0, 1 or 2; m is 1, 2 or 3; Z^2 is -NH-, -O-, -S-, or $-CH_2-$; optionally fused on adjacent carbon atoms with one or two phenyl rings and, optionally independently substituted on carbon with one to three substituents and, optionally, independently on nitrogen with a chemically suitable substituent selected from R^4; or

(c) a bicyclic amine containing five to twelve carbon atoms, either bridged or fused and optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from R^4; or

Z^1 and G in combination may be



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W is

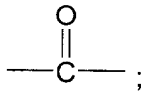
(a) $-CH_2-$;

(b) -CH=CH-;

(c) -O-;

(d) $-NR^2-$;

(e) $-S(O)_n-$;

(f)  ;

(g) $-CR^2(OH)-$;

(h) $-CONR^2-$;

(i) $-NR^2CO-$;

(j)  ; or

(k) $-C\equiv C-$;

R is hydrogen or C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R^2 and R^3 are independently

(a) hydrogen; or

(b) C_1-C_4 alkyl;

R^4 is

(a) hydrogen;

(b) halogen;

(c) C_1-C_6 alkyl;

(d) C_1-C_4 alkoxy;

(e) C_1-C_4 acyloxy;

(f) C_1-C_4 alkylthio;

(g) C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl;

(h) C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl;

(i) hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl;

(j) aryl (C_1-C_4)alkyl;

(k) $-CO_2H$;

(l) -CN;

(m) -CONHOR;

(n) $-SO_2NHR$;

(o) $-NH_2$;

(p) C_1-C_4 alkylamino;

(q) C_1-C_4 dialkylamino;

(r) $-NHSO_2R$;

(s) $-NO_2$;

(t) -aryl; or

(u) -OH;

R^5 and R^6 are independently C_1-C_8 alkyl or together form a C_3-C_{10} carbocyclic ring;

R^7 and R^8 are independently

(a) phenyl;

(b) a C_3-C_{10} carbocyclic ring, saturated or unsaturated;

(c) a C_3-C_{10} heterocyclic ring containing up to two heteroatoms, selected from -O-, -N- and -S-;

(d) H;

(e) C_1-C_6 alkyl; or

(f) form a 3 to 8 membered nitrogen containing ring with R^5 or R^6;

R^7 and R^8 in either linear or ring form may optionally be substituted with up to three substituents independently selected from C_1-C_6 alkyl, halogen, alkoxy, hydroxy and carboxy;

a ring formed by R^7 and R^8 may be optionally fused to a phenyl ring;

e is 0, 1 or 2;

m is 1, 2 or 3;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

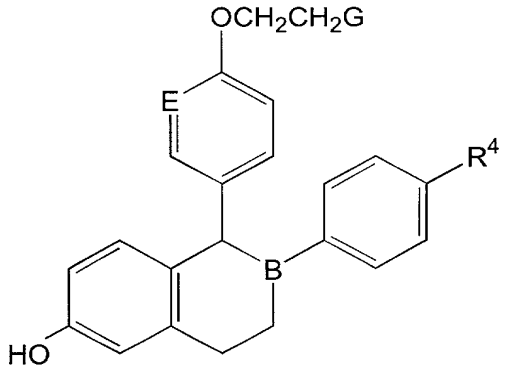
p is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

q is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof; and

(b) instructions describing a method of using the pharmaceutical composition to treat cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma.

7. The kit of claim 6 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is a compound of formula (IA):



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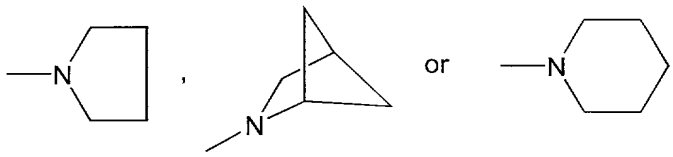
wherein G is



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R^4 is H, OH, F, or Cl; and B and E are independently selected from CH and N or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or a prodrug thereof.

8. The kit of claim 6 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is (-)-cis-6-phenyl-5-[4-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalene-2-ol or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or a prodrug thereof.

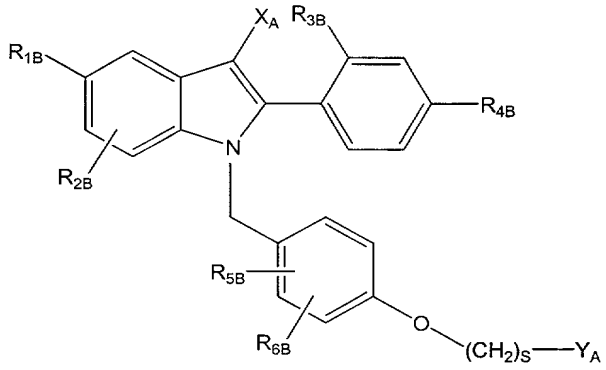
9. The kit of claim 6 wherein the estrogen agonist / antagonist is (-)-cis-6-phenyl-5-[4-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-phenyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-naphthalene-2-ol, D-tartrate salt.

10. A kit for use by a consumer to treat cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma, the kit comprising:

(a) a pharmaceutical composition comprising an estrogen agonist / antagonist compound selected from:

A) 4-hydroxy tamoxifen, droloxifene, toremifene, centchroman, idoxifene, raloxifene, 6-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-5-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-benzyl]-naphthalen-2-ol, {4-[2-(2-aza-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-yl)-ethoxy]-phenyl}-[6-hydroxy-2-(4-hydroxy-phenyl)-benzo[b]thiophen-3-yl]-methanone, EM-652, EM-800, GW 5638, GW 7604, or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt, or prodrug thereof;

B) a compound of formula V or VI:



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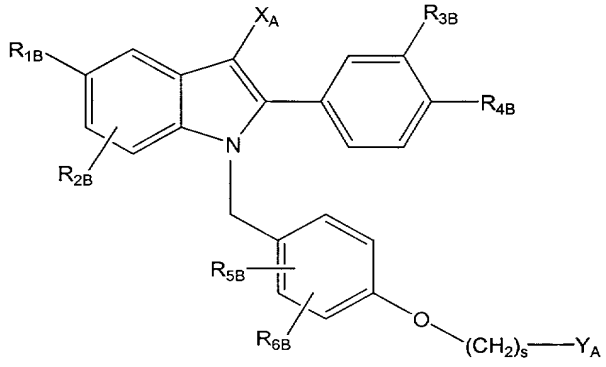


(VI)

wherein:

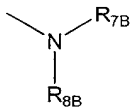
R_{1B} is selected from H, OH, -O-C(O)-C_1-C_{12} alkyl (straight chain or branched), -O-C_1-C_{12} alkyl (straight chain or branched or cyclic), or halogens or C_1-C_4 halogenated ethers;

R_{2B}, R_{3B}, R_{4B}, R_{5B}, and R_{6B} are independently selected from H, OH, -O-C(O)-C_1-C_{12} (straight chain or branched), -O-C_1-C_{12} (straight chain or branched or cyclic), halogens, or C_1-C_4 halogenated ethers, cyano, C_1-C_6 alkyl (straight chain or branched), or trifluoromethyl;

X_A is selected from H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, cyano, nitro, trifluoromethyl, and halogen;

s is 2 or 3;

Y_A is the moiety:



wherein:

a) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are independently selected from the group of H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, or phenyl optionally substituted by CN, C_1-C_6 alkyl (straight chain or branched), C_1-C_6 alkoxy (straight chain or branched), halogen, -OH, $-CF_3$, or $-OCF_3$; or

b) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a five-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, -NH(C_1-C_4 alkyl), -N(C_1-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

c) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a six-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, -NH(C_1-C_4 alkyl), -N(C_1-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

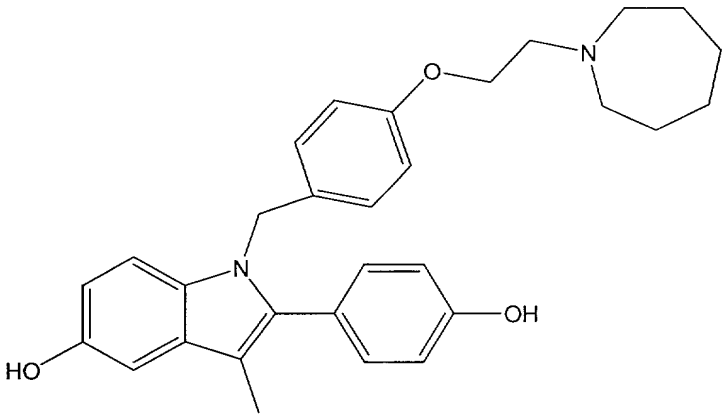
d) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a seven-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, -NH(C_1-C_4 alkyl), -N(C_1-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

e) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form an eight-membered saturated heterocycle containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with

1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1-C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2H$, -CN, $-CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4)alkyl; or

f) R_{7B} and R_{8B} are concatenated to form a saturated bicyclic heterocycle containing from 6-12 carbon atoms either bridged or fused and containing one nitrogen heteroatom, the heterocycle being optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, halo, C_1-C_4 alkyl, trihalomethyl, C_1-C_4 alkoxy, trihalomethoxy, C_1-C_4 acyloxy, C_1-C_4 alkylthio, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfinyl, C_1-C_4 alkylsulfonyl, hydroxy (C_1 -C_4)alkyl, $-CO_2$ H, -CN, - $CONHR_{1B}$, $-NH_2$, $-NH(C_1$-C_4 alkyl), $-N(C_1$-C_4 alkyl)$_2$, $-NHSO_2R_{1B}$, $-NHCOR_{1B}$, $-NO_2$, or phenyl optionally substituted with 1-3 (C_1-C_4) alkyl; or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof;

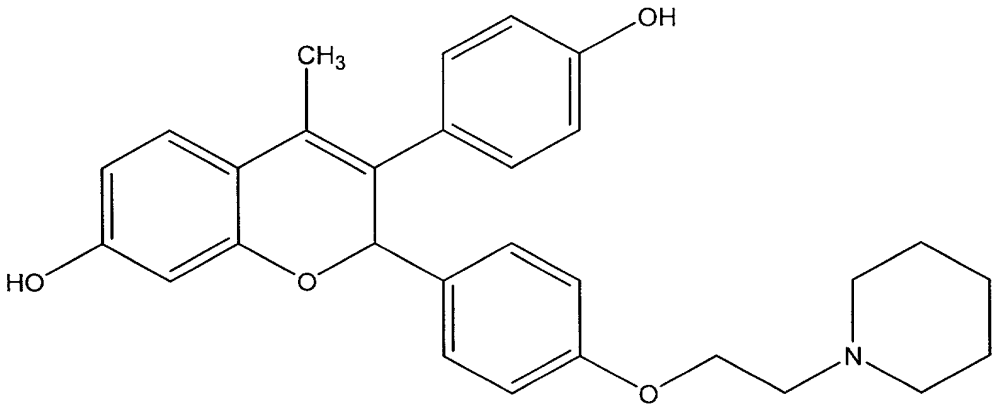
C) the compound of formula Va (TSE-424) below:



(Va)

or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof; or

D) the compound of formula III (EM-652) or formula IV (EM-800) below:



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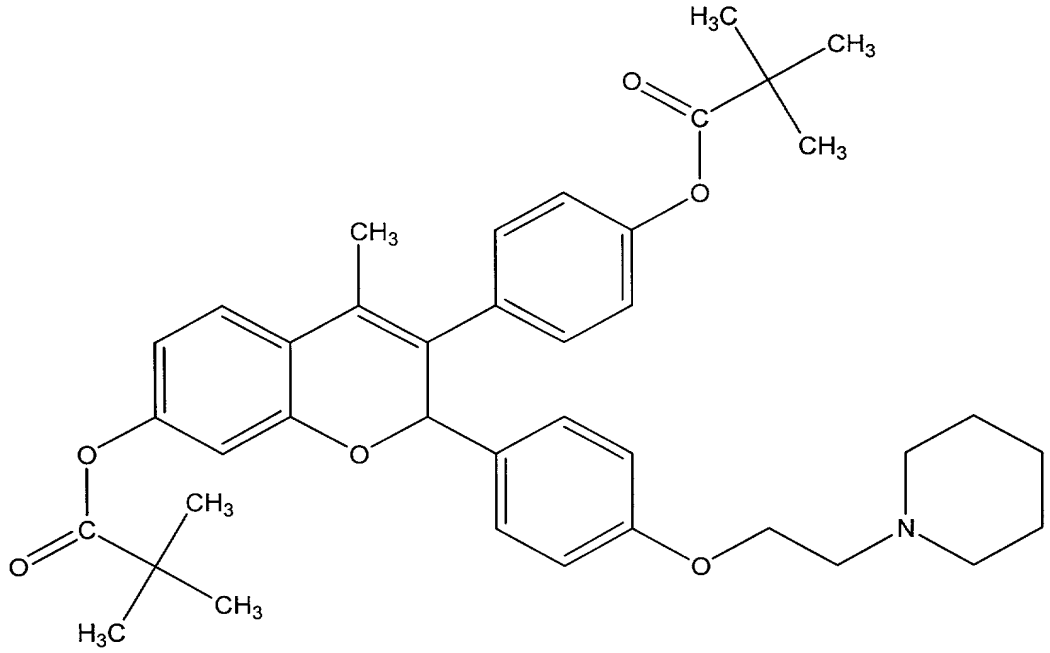

(IV)

or an optical or geometric isomer thereof; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, N-oxide, ester, quaternary ammonium salt or prodrug thereof; and

(b) instructions describing a method of using the pharmaceutical composition to treat cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma.

11. The kit of claim 6 wherein the kit further comprises an additional compound that is useful to treat cancer of the liver, ovarian cancer, a desmoid tumor, glioma, pancreatic cancer, or renal cell carcinoma.